

of Serial No. 815,315, filed 13 July 1977, which is a CIP of Serial No. 778,343, filed 17 March 1977."

and insert: --- The reference to the above earlier filed parent applications are made under section 120, 121, or 365(c) of 35 U.S.C. 1.54, from the date on which the earliest such applications was filed.---

Please amend the relatively small amendment contained on page 2, line 25 of the communication dated September 3, 1997, as follows:

after the words: "is denoted by"

delete: "S-EP*EP-S-EP or S-EP-S-EP or simply SEPSEP"

and insert: --- S-EP • EP-S --- .
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The amendment under REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS AND PATENTS is as indicated on page 6 of Applicant's 9/3/97 communication regarding subject matter rely for support as its filing date under USC 120, 121, and 365(c) of 35 U.S.C. 1.54.

The relatively small amendment requested under 37 CFR 1.124 and MPEP 714.24 is for minor transcription error.

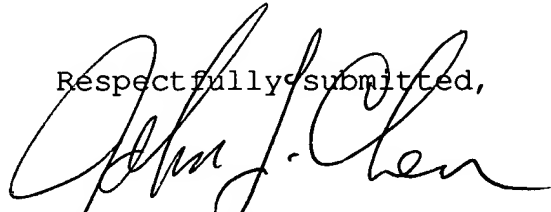
Both amendments do not involve new matter and does not

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require any new search and are needed for proper disclosure and does not require any substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Office.

Should Examiner have any questions regarding this response, Applicant can be reached at (415) 355-0177.

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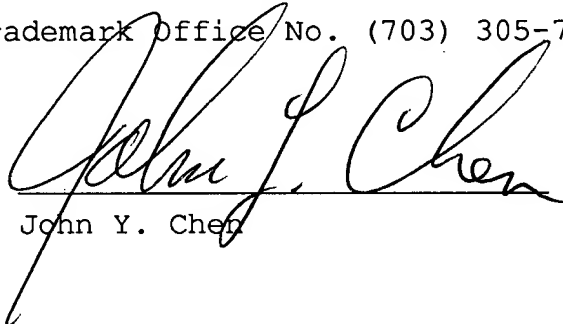
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